

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

ANDREW CORZO, SIA HENRY,
ALEXANDER LEO-GUERRA, MICHAEL
MAERLENDER, BRANDON PIYEVSKY,
BENJAMIN SHUMATE, BRITTANY
TATIANA WEAVER, and CAMERON
WILLIAMS, individually and on behalf of all
others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

BROWN UNIVERSITY, CALIFORNIA
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, UNIVERSITY
OF CHICAGO, THE TRUSTEES OF
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE CITY OF
NEW YORK, CORNELL UNIVERSITY,
TRUSTEES OF DARTMOUTH COLLEGE,
DUKE UNIVERSITY, EMORY UNIVERSITY,
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, THE JOHNS
HOPKINS UNIVERSITY, MASSACHUSETTS
INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY,
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY,
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DU LAC,
THE TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
PENNSYLVANIA, WILLIAM MARSH RICE
UNIVERSITY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY,
and YALE UNIVERSITY,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:22-cv-00125

Hon. Matthew F. Kennelly

**JOINT MOTION TO TERMINATE FERPA ORDER
AS TO VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY**

On September 25, 2023, Plaintiffs moved the Court to compel Vanderbilt University (“Vanderbilt”) to send FERPA notices to specific individuals (the “FERPA Motion”). Dkt. No. 443. On October 5, 2023, the Court granted the FERPA Motion (the “FERPA Order”), Dkt. No.

459, and the Court extended the deadline for Vanderbilt students to object on October 31, 2023 (“Extension Order”), Dkt. No. 476. Vanderbilt has provided the notices as required by the FERPA Order. Plaintiffs and Vanderbilt jointly notify that Court that Plaintiffs, on behalf of a proposed settlement class, and Vanderbilt have reached an agreement in principle to settle the litigation, subject to Court approval, and are commencing to committing their class settlement to writing in a long-form settlement agreement. As a result, Plaintiffs and Vanderbilt agree that it is no longer necessary for the individuals notified by Vanderbilt to object to disclosure of their information.

Plaintiffs and Vanderbilt jointly request that the Court terminate the FERPA Order as to Vanderbilt; terminate any obligation of Vanderbilt’s students and former students to submit objections to the Court, including under the Extension Order; and order that no Vanderbilt student’s personally identifiable information will be disclosed in this litigation. The proposed order would be without prejudice to Plaintiffs’ ability to renew their FERPA Motion if the settlement between Plaintiffs and Vanderbilt does not become final.

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